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New Director of Facilities for Northern Lights Public Schools

(Bonnyville, Alberta – May 3, 2018) Northern Lights Public Schools has hired Leah Rout as the Division’s new Director of Facilities.

“Leah is well-acquainted with the demanding challenges and responsibilities that accompany the role of Director of Facilities,” says Terry Moghrabi, Northern Lights Public Schools’ Associate Superintendent of Human Resources. “We were impressed with her practical knowledge of major infrastructure projects and her dedication to the job.”

Rout comes to the Division from Ontario, where she most recently served as the Supervisor of Capital Projects – Engineering Services at the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board.

During her time in that role, Rout was responsible for more than 30 different capital projects, ranging from small classroom additions to high school renovations and repairs. She also worked as a Project Manager for KPRDSB and as a Highway Designer for TSH Engineers in Bracebridge, Ontario.

“I got the call from Northern Lights Human Resources, and I accepted the job immediately,” Rout says. “I felt that my experience in project administration and the projects that we tackled at KPRDSB were perfectly suited to fill the role here. I’d never been out of Ontario before, and I wanted an adventure.”

Rout says that the most challenging project in her career involved converting a high school into a trilingual elementary school in just four months.

“It was a lot of round-the-clock work, but was really rewarding, especially when we got to put up signage and cultural representations for the three languages spoken there—English, French, and Ojibwe.”

The first days of Rout’s training in the Division have been spent touring the various schools and other facilities across the Division. “The team here at Northern Lights have clearly done a fantastic job and all of the facilities that I’ve seen so far have kept in excellent repair and are in really good shape,” Rout says. “I’m looking forward to continuing that standard of excellence.”





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Rout's role at Northern Lights Public Schools commenced on April 30 in order to work closely with the exiting Director of Facilities, Wayne Kurek, to provide the Division with a seamless transition during the summer months.

Northern Lights Public Schools provides a quality public education program with enhanced learning opportunities to approximately 6,000 students in 27 schools in northeastern Alberta.

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